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Applicant: McCarthy et al.

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Examiner: D. Jiang

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Title

: NOVEL GENES ENCODING PROTEINS HAVING PROGNOSTIC,

DIAGNOSTIC, PREVENTIVE, THERAPEUTIC, AND OTHER USES

Commissioner for Patents

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## AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO ACTION OF APRIL 23, 2003

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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molecules comprising at least 40 consecutive amino acids or encoding at least 15 amino acids of the sequences recited in the claims, these references do not anticipate the pending claims.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

Enclosed is a check for the Petition for Extension of Time fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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